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Dear Nebraska Bridge Owner:

RE: Bridge Inspection Program

The Quality Assurance (QA) Evaluation of the Bridge Inspection Program (BIP) has been completed for data entered into BrM from March 1, 2015 to April 1, 2016. The operations related to the BIP receiving a QA evaluation during 2016 were:

- Qualifications of Personnel
- Inspection Frequency
- Inspection Procedures

- Bridge Posting or Closure
- Owner Records

Last year a new system was implemented by the QA team to track the completeness of Bridge Owner's files. This same system was used again to score owners files. A total of 525 files were reviewed this year at 42 different Bridge Owners. The results from this year and last year (2015) are below.

Review Result	Percent	
	2015	2016
Compliant → All required items are included in file	32% (138 of 478)	30% (159 of 525)
Substantially Compliant → File is missing one required item	28% (121 of 478)	36% (190 of 525)
Non-Compliant → File is missing two or more required items	40% (172 of 478)	34% (176 of 525)

Approximately 2/3 of the files reviewed in 2016 were either compliant or substantially compliant. This is a slight increase over the 60% from last cycle. However, it is difficult to directly compare last year's results with this year's since the data sets contained different owner groups. It is interesting to note that the overall results are similar to last year.

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